

## Catalog of Tools Available from DoD ESI September 2016

The following catalog lists tools that are currently available from DoD ESI and provides a synopsis and the link for each.

### **CHECKLISTS & WHITE PAPERS**





TOOL / ASSET TITLE & LINK	DESCRIPTION
Requirements Questionnaire & Checklist  http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=727	This Requirements Questionnaire and Checklist has been assembled to organize sample questions each program should ask when developing its formal requirements documentation for a commercial off the shelf (COTS) software project. This is not an exhaustive list, but a broad sampling of the types of questions that should be considered before and during Market Research and Solution Analysis.
Advisory Note – Virtual De-install	This advisory note covers three common scenarios where the Government may need to protect itself by requiring contractual language, providing sample language that allows for a virtual de-installation or a physical migration under the original government contract number and
http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx ?id=728	license number.



#### **Software Buyer's Checklist**

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id =4691

This checklist was compiled to provide a standardized set of steps to follow when using the ESI Enterprise Software Agreements (ESAs) and Enterprise License Agreements (ELAs). It is not an exhaustive list and it should not be the only tool used to determine compliance with DoD acquisition regulations. It is a checklist to use as a starting point and not to replace individual Procurement Office's guidance.



#### Software Buyer's Guide

http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx ?id=741 This guide was compiled to provide a standardized set of steps to follow when using the ESI contract vehicles. It is not an exhaustive list and should not be the only tool used to determine compliance with DoD acquisition regulations. It is a best practices guide to use as a starting point and not to replace your Procurement Office's guidance.



## **Enterprise Software Licensing Guide** and Checklist

http://www.esi.mil/Uploads/DoD-ESI Enterprise-Licensing Checklist.pdf This checklist walks you through the definition of an Enterprise License and all of its components to help you determine whether or not an Enterprise License (EL) will meet your organization's needs. An EL is an organization-wide software license that provides common usage rights to a population of users, while interfacing with the Software Publisher/Licensor under a single point of contact. The EL is customized to the organization's requirements. To establish an EL, a team approach should be undertaken, utilizing functional expertise from within the Government, and approached in a manner that achieves Best Value.



#### **Software Self-Audit Checklist**

http://www.esi.mil/Uploads/DoD-ESI Self-Audit Checklist.pdf DoD ESI developed this Self-Audit Checklist to assist DoD in performing internal license compliance audits and with keeping full and accurate accounts that may be used to properly ascertain and verify numbers of licenses, users or subscription parameters in use. A software audit is a defensible comparison of the actual software programs, quantities, and uses within an organization measured against the contractually authorized software programs, quantities, and uses.



# Best Practices in Evaluating IT Acquisitions - White Paper

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id
=5095

This paper illustrates commercial best practices for estimating the costs of implementing commercial software and related services. However, the underlying methodology – utilizing a framework of team involvement and total cost analysis - is applicable to all types of IT acquisitions and is in support of the DoD ESI. This paper provides details and examples on how to identify the key components of your acquisition and the costs associated with them to help you determine whether or not the acquisition will be beneficial to your organization. Cost estimating tools and guides are also provided to accompany this insightful paper.



# **Software Maintenance Negotiations Best Practices - White Paper**

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id =5096 The paper provides practical guidance for the negotiation of software maintenance and support agreements. It offers a roadmap to gather, analyze, strategize and negotiate the best terms and price for maintenance agreements incorporating best practices from the commercial sector as well as DoD ESI's 16 years of experience.



### IT Virtualization Technology and its Impact on Software Contract Terms - White Paper

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id
=5097

This paper provides a good foundation for any DoD software acquisition personnel facing the prospect of dealing with virtualized computing environments - particularly off-site virtualization. It includes a brief background of the technology and how it differs from traditional computing installations. And, it addresses key contractual issues arising from those differences.



# **Negotiating Warranties for COTS Products - White Paper**

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id =5001

The purpose of this white paper is to educate readers on key aspects of commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) software warranties. Key aspects include:

- Commercial Product Warranties in the U.S.
- Key Elements of a Commercial Software License Warranty
- Government Standard Software Warranty (GSSW) Clause
- Applying the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to Commercial Software Warranties
- Comparing Software Maintenance and Warranties
- License Agreements with Resellers and the Lack of Privity
- Licensors' Positions on Software Warranties



### Third Party Software - White Paper

This paper provides insight and guidance when licensing commercial software from one party that may contain code that belongs to a third party. It discusses options for dealing with the original licensor when the third party software is embedded in their solution or when the third party software is acquired separately from the original license. Key license terms and conditions are discussed and sample contract language is provided.

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**Best Practices for Negotiating Cloud- Based Software Contracts - White Paper** 

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id =4783

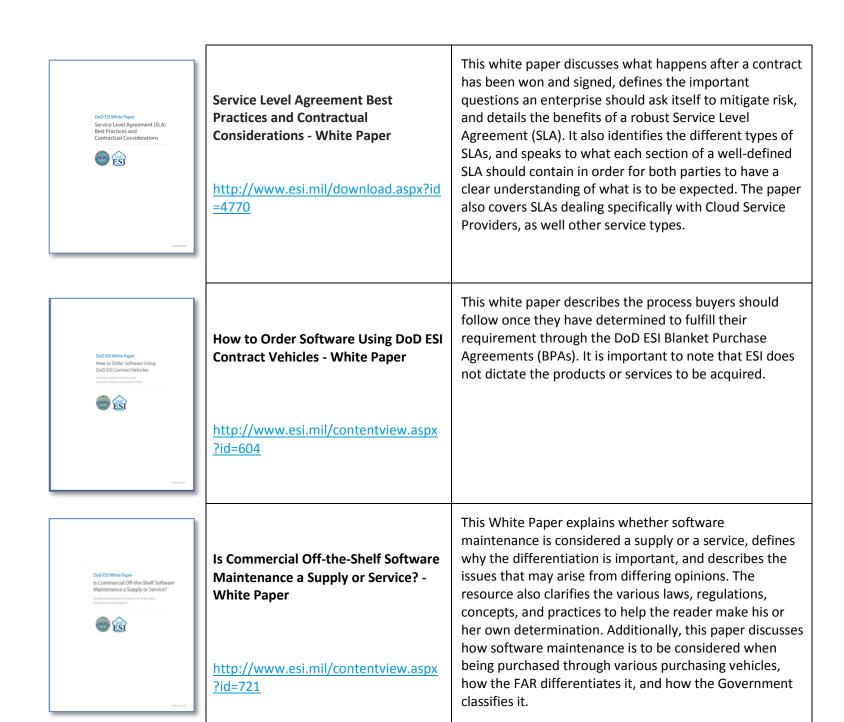
This paper addresses the key contractual concepts to focus on when negotiating a public cloud, Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) delivery model versus a traditional onpremises software delivery model. Under both models, use rights are still granted, but there are variations of the software use terms and conditions, especially in areas such as licensing and costs.

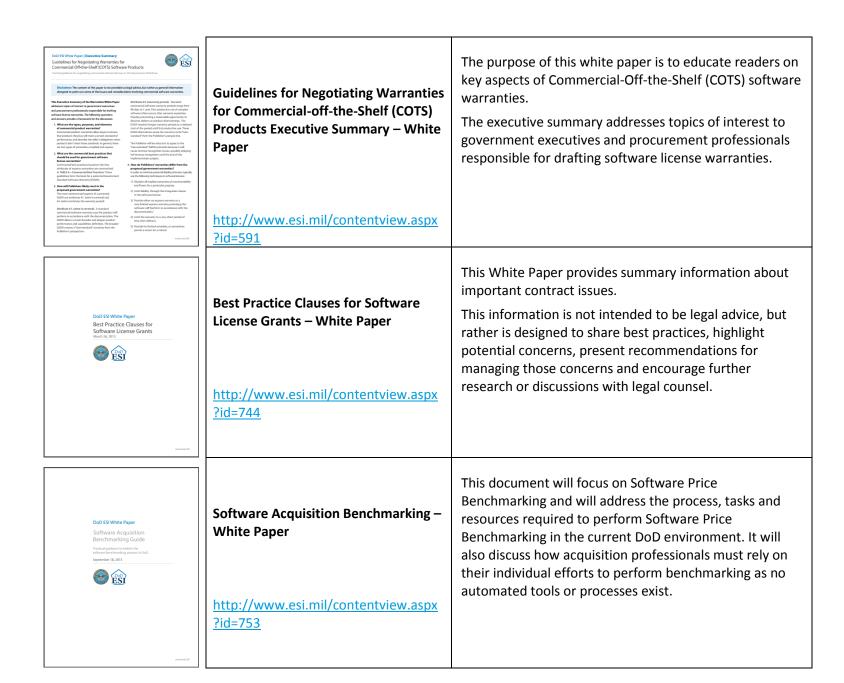


Considerations for Open Source Software Use - White Paper

http://www.esi.mil/download.aspx?id =4785

Open Source Software is widely distributed and used in several ways—as stand-alone software applications, for internal software development projects, and as part of commercially available software applications. This paper addresses some of the key policy and contract protections Government should consider when obtaining Open Source Software directly (as a stand-alone application or for use in development projects), or indirectly (because it is embedded in Commercial Software applications). The appeal of potentially lower costs and ease of use associated with Open Source is balanced against the potential pitfalls.







Commercial Perspective on Software Intellectual Property Ownership Rights – White Paper

http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx
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This paper will share the commercial buyer's perspective to answer the question of who should own the intellectual property (IP) rights to commercial software, derivative works in a commercial software application, and custom developed software.

## **WEB TOOLKITS**



TOOL / ASSET TITLE & LINK	DESCRIPTION
	DoD ESI Software License Risk Assessment Tool is a tool that was created to help DoD software buyers
Software License Risk Assessment Tool	analyze a seller's proposed license agreement to
http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=675	determine the areas of risk that should be addressed in a negotiation, to initiate and document
	negotiations with software publishers, and reduce risk of wasteful spending, disruption to Government
	operations, and vulnerability to lawsuits, claims, and
	penalties. This tool will also help contracting officers rationalize their positions using objective methods





http://www.esi.mil/bestvaluetoolkit/index.html

This DoD ESI web-based Best Value Toolkit provides a simple roadmap to guide DoD IT buyers through available ESI resources to ensure they obtain Best Value on behalf of the government for common Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS) software acquisition scenarios. It presents commercial best practices combined with DoD ESI's many years of experience in commercial software acquisition in the DoD. It has been designed for use in a variety of situations - use as appropriate and customize its tools to fit your situation.



Software as a Service (SaaS) Toolkit

http://www.esi.mil/saas toolkit/index.html

Software as a Service (SaaS) is an emerging software delivery model in the commercial industry and government enterprises. In order to educate DoD personnel on the basics of SaaS, DoD ESI developed the SaaS web-based toolkit which contains educational material on the SaaS delivery model, pricing, contracts, and analytical tools for DoD programs, contracts specialists, and interested personnel.



Financial Guide for Converting Perpetual Software Licenses to Software as a Service (SaaS)

http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=683

This financial guide, complemented by its associated workbook, assists the reader in determining if it makes business sense to convert to Software as a Service (SaaS) or continue to operate under a Perpetual licensing arrangement. The workbook's methodology provides ways of estimating and comparing the Total Cost of Ownership of future operations under the two scenarios. Additionally, the Toolkit offers approaches for situations where the Publisher/License Grantor has discontinued Perpetual Licensing and is now only offering SaaS/Cloud offerings.



### **Software Maintenance Cost Tracking Guide**

http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=713

Due to the significant and increasing costs for annual software maintenance, this Cost Tracking Guide, in combination with its accompanying Excel Workbook, provides the reader a roadmap to identify, manage, and document Software Maintenance spending by capturing data. This information is then analyzed so that spending may be addressed from many different views, and potentially reduce these costs.

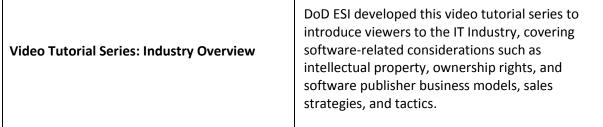
### TRAINING VIDEO TUTORIAL SERIES

These brief training videos enable viewers to increase their knowledge and awareness of COTS software acquisition. They are meant to supplement or refresh, but not replace, the formal classroom training. All videos listed below can be found at <a href="http://www.esi.mil/videos.aspx">http://www.esi.mil/videos.aspx</a>

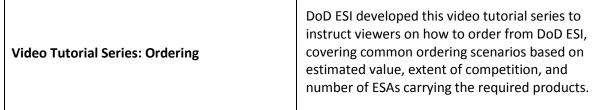


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DoD ESI: An Overview	This video provides a broad overview of DoD ESI, offers a look at its history, mission and milestones, and describes the benefits and tools it can offer Government agencies across the DoD to assist in acquiring Software, Hardware, and Services at prenegotiated prices and Terms and Conditions to secure Billions of dollars in savings and costavoidance.











DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to instruct viewers on how to maximize the usefulness of the DoD ESI Best Value Toolkit



Video Tutorial Series: EULAs (End User License Agreements) DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to End User License Agreements (EULAs) and covering key contractual clauses, such as license grants, pricing, warranty, and software maintenance.





DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Cloud/ SaaS (Software as a Service)





DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Cloud & SaaS SLAs (Service Level Agreements)



**Video Tutorial Series: Cloud SaaS Agreement Key Clauses** 

DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Cloud SaaS Agreement Key Clauses



Video Tutorial Series: 3<sup>rd</sup> Party/ Open Source Software

DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Third Party/Open Source Software.









Video Tutorial Series: Virtualization	DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Virtualization.
Video Tutorial Series: Market Research	DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Market Research.
Video Tutorial Series: Requirements	DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Requirements.
Video Tutorial Series: Using the DoD ESI Website	DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to using the DoD ESI Website.





DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Enterprise License Agreements.



**Video Tutorial Series: Risk Assessment Tool** 

DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to the DoD ESI Risk Assessment Tool.



Video Tutorial Series: Product Listing and Requirements Fit

DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Product Listing and Requirement Fit.



**Video Tutorial Series: Source Code Escrow** 

DoD ESI developed this video tutorial series to introduce viewers to Source Code Escrow











## **TEMPLATES**



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Service Level Agreement (SLA) Template	This template was developed by DoD ESI for use by DoD customers when negotiating, establishing, and managing Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with software providers.
http://www.esi.mil/Uploads/DoD ESI SLA Template April 28 2015.docx	*Please refer to SLA Template User Guide for using the SLA Template for software related services, including cloud-based services. It can be found at <a href="http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=619">http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=619</a>

## OTHER ARTICLES, eNEWSLETTERS & TOOLS

**TOOL / ASSET** 

CHIPS website)

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**New Approach for Enterprise Resource** 





**DESCRIPTION** 



This October-December 2008 article in DoN CIO's CHIPS magazine covers DoD's efforts to capture and deploy best practices so that all ERP programs will benefit from the lessons learned and overall Planning Article (this article is found on the experience of the group. http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDet







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Discipline in Commercial IT Spending Article (this article is found on the CHIPS website)  http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDet ails.aspx?ID=2915	This July-September 2007 article in DoN ClO's CHIPS magazine that covers DoD's effort is a call to institute disciplined contracting and program management practices. Well-defined requirements must be included in a performance based Statement of Work (SOW) or Statement of Objectives (SOO) to allow a vendor to propose a fixed-price bid for commercial IT services and solutions.
SaaS: Software as a Service Article (this article is found on the CHIPS website) <a href="http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDet ails.aspx?ID=2448">http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDet ails.aspx?ID=2448</a>	This April-June 2010 article in DoN CIO's CHIPS magazine address Software as a Service (SaaS), which has become a hot topic over the past few years. As a result of this heightened interest, the Department of Defense Enterprise Software Initiative (DoD ESI) developed the SaaS Toolkit to provide independent and unbiased educational materials for the DoD information technology acquisition and management community.
Commercial Software License Acquisition Training (this article is found on the CHIPS website)	This April 2014 article in DoN CIO's CHIPS magazine details DoD ESI's two-day on-site training courses which provide expert instruction from software licensing subject matter experts (SMEs) on negotiating terms and conditions for software license and maintenance agreements.
http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDetails.aspx?ID=5021	





Best Practices and Lessons Learned for DoD Commercial Off-the-Shelf Software Licensing (this article is found on the CHIPS website) This April-June 2014 article in DoN CIO's CHIPS magazine details best practices and lessons learned for DoD commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) software licensing.

http://www.doncio.navy.mil/CHIPS/ArticleDet ails.aspx?ID=5009



Negotiating Contracts for Cloud-Based Software (this article is found on the CHIPS website) This January-March 2012 article in DoN CIO's CHIPS magazine details Negotiating tips for contracts for Cloud-based Software.

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Education, Support, and Tools Portfolio Brochure

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This brochure provides a visual mapping of the tools and resources available on the DoD ESI Website, and is meant to complement our Catalog of Articles, White Papers, Newspapers, and other Tools found at

http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=722)





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eNewsletters	DoD ESI publishes periodic eNewsletters that contain information on tools, templates, hot topics, and upcoming events.
(these are monthly eNewsletters that you may receive by signing up via Newsletter Signup, located at the bottom of our homepage at <a href="http://www.esi.mil">http://www.esi.mil</a> )	
Software License Negotiations Support Proves Valuable	This article provides information on how DoD ESI is on the leading edge of trends in the software licensing world and the impacts they have on the Government.
http://www.esi.mil/contentview.aspx?id=752	